



**CITY OF SAN DIEGO
OFFICE OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT PRO TEM ANTHONY YOUNG**



WEEKLY UPDATE MARCH 28, 2006

We will be Celebrating Cesar Chavez Day on Friday March 31, 2006. As we observe this day in honor a great American, I encourage all of you to join in the many events and celebrations throughout San Diego that are being held in honor of this great man. Cesar Chavez helped to bring about historic changes to the quality of life and working conditions of Mexican- Americans, farm workers, and society as a whole.

Cesar Chavez traveled throughout California and the nation in support of worker's rights and urging workers to register and vote. He formed the National Farm Workers Association, which later changed its name to United Farm Workers. It is through this organization that he led strikes and boycotts for better working conditions and higher wages for those who picked grapes, lettuce, and other agricultural produce. He also successfully advocated against the use of toxic pesticides on fruits and vegetables. Cesar Chavez died on April 23, 1993. However, he left behind a legacy of caring, support, and action when necessary, to better the quality of life of us all.

The Mayor will be presenting his City budget to the Council in April. On Wednesday April 26, 2006, the Council will hold an evening public hearing on the proposed budget. Please join me and my fellow Council Members at the North Park Theatre (30th and University) at 6:00 p.m. This will be a great opportunity for you to come and address the Council on your views and suggestions regarding the City's 2007 budget. I look forward to seeing and hearing from you on April 26th.

Turner Construction and the Center City Development Corporation are taking steps to assist minority and women businesses in the construction industry. They will be offering a free Construction Management Program from May 4th to June 29th 2006. This is an excellent opportunity for disadvantaged business enterprise construction firms to enhance their businesses and take advantage of construction, sub-contracting, prime contracting, joint ventures, and provision of goods and services opportunities. For additional information, please call (619) 533-7103.

On Thursday, March 30, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. The Fourth District Youth Advisory Board, Students Against Violence Everywhere (S.A.V.E.) and my office will be hosting a Youth Forum On Violence in the Community. This Forum being held at the Malcolm X Library is designed to give youth an opportunity voice their thoughts, ideas, and recommendations regarding the issue of youth violence. You have all heard the statement “from the mouth of babes.” This is an opportunity for you to bring your children and young adults to this Forum and have them voice their opinions about this issue. I look forward to seeing you there.

On Friday, March 31, 2006 at 9:00 am, the Fourth District Senior Commission and the Fourth District Senior Resource Center will be hosting its 11th Annual “Seasoned Prayer & Praise Community Breakfast” Please join Rosemary White - Pope and the many seniors from throughout the District as they celebrate the theme “Rejoice Always, Pray Without Ceasing.” The Breakfast will be held at the newly opened George L. Stevens Senior Center, 570 South 65th Street. I look forward to seeing you there and rejoicing with you. For additional information, please call (619) 266-2066.

On Thursday, April 6, 2006 at 6:30 p.m., youth, families and staff of Gompers Charter Middle School will host a concert featuring Cecil Lytle and UCSD’s 400 member Gospel Choir. An advocate of parent involvement and youth educational development, Cecil and the Choir will be performing to raise funds for new computers for the school’s computer lab. It is my hope and desire you come out and enjoy the classic styling of Cecil Lytle and the inspiring singing of the UCSD Choir. For additional information, please contact Michelle Evans at (619) 263-2171, ext. 4150.

The City-County Reinvestment Task Force, co-chaired by Supervisor Ron Roberts and myself will be hosting our first annual Financial Literacy Summit on April 8, 2006 at the San Diego City Concourse. This free event titled “Smart Money Summit and Expo is for those living in low to high budget households. It will provide an opportunity to learn about the many financial programs, services and opportunities that are available. Most importantly, it is designed to help educate San Diego about the importance of being financially literate. This one day event is free to the public and will consist of several workshops designed to inform and increase the financial knowledge of San Diego residents. Homeownership, Responsible Budgeting, Basic Banking and Investing, Access to Capital, Consumer Rights and Predatory Lending, and Improving Credit are some of the topics discussed in the Smart Money Summit and Expo workshops. The Summit will have several booths that will be providing information on first time homebuyer programs, financial planning, income tax preparation, identity theft prevention, small business development, financial literacy programs for children and youth, and new financial product information from our sponsors and community partners. I look forward to seeing you there. Please call (619) 236-6644 for more information.

Again, my thanks go out to you for supporting me in my efforts to make this City and the 4th District a better place to live, work, and raise a family

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